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William Lloyd Garrison, Esqr;

Boston,

Mass.

Thompson, we wish to be looking elsewhere.

In the cause of humanity and righteousness,

In behalf of the Executive Committee, Vt. A.S.S.,

Orson S. Murray,

Cor. Sec.

William Lloyd Garrison, Esqr.

Mr. Garrison: I send you eight dollars for the Liberator for A. J. Edld, ~~C. H. Holladay~~, C. A. Wicker, S. S. Halladay and Abram Foot, all of Cornwall, and two dollars for a copy to be sent to Augustus Munger Esqr. Whiting — also wish you to forward a copy to Elias H. Sherman, Fairfield Vt. — ~~I owe~~ the pay for which I retain, on the old account. The last two to commence with the next volume.

In haste. Most cordially,

Mr. William Lloyd Garrison. O. S. Murray.

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We commence correspondence at this early period, with a view to accomodate the time of our meeting, so far as is consistent, to the circumstances of our friends on whom we call for help. In reference to the time, for ourselves, we would mention the month of February, for the reason that we wish to do what we can by way of forming town Societies, previous to that meeting.

The reason why we rather have a visit from Mr. Garrison, than from any other man living, we briefly stated in a former communication. You may safely appreciate it, without charging yourself with the least vanity, or us with flattery. Next to Mr. Garrison, we prefer Mr. Thompson. Will you not have the goodness to embrace the first opportunity to lay our case before that gentleman? & Should him there are hearts here that beat high in unison with his; and heads we trust capable of appreciating his God-like labors. We feel that we must have one — we want both of you. Should Mr. Thompson come We cannot expect a long visit from Mr. Garrison; but should Mr. Thompson come, we should wish him to visit several of our principal towns — perhaps Windsor, Montpelier and Burlington, previously to our meeting at Middlebury; and Rutland and Bennington on his return. Could such a thing take place, we hope to be informed in the answer to this, that the time may be fixed on, and that some one or more of us may meet Mr. Thompson at the South part of the State and escort him through.

If our request have not already been executed, we beg leave to add that, we hope you will take the trouble to answer this soon, that we may know and what to depend. If we can see neither yourself nor Mr.

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Orwell, December 3, 1834.

Dear Sir:

We have more than realized our best anticipations in Vermont. We have already a host in the field, and the number is hourly increasing. But this is not saying that we are in no need of help. True, some of us have enlisted for life, or during the war; but the presence and aid, though it were but momentary, of some certain of our powerful friends, renowned for prowess, at the same time it would greatly encourage and strengthen us, would carry terror and discomfiture through the ranks of our already stricken and falling enemies.

Dear Sir, in view of your multiplied labors and sacrifices, we here frankly acknowledge that we have no personal claims on you for a visit to our State; nor do we feel ourselves incompetent to hold, by the help of God, the ground we have taken, and to make a moderate advance; but you will allow us to ask, may it not be possible that the great good required that we have a temporary relief? Now, Sir, as you have not yet told us positively that we may never expect to see you in Vermont, we venture to reiterate our request. Will it not be possible for you to visit us sometime in the course of the ensuing winter? Our meeting at Montpelier, in October, was not an annual, as we at first contemplated. We now propose holding our first annual meeting at Middlebury, in time to be attended by Sleighing.

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